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CLERK: 30 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 956.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The bill is advanced. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, next bill I believe, pursuant to the Speaker's agenda, is LB 1361. Is that right, Mr. Speaker? Okay. LB 1361, a bill by Senator Bromm. (Read title.) Bill was introduced on January 19, referred to Transportation, advanced to General File.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Bromm, recognized to open.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Lieutenant Governor, members of the Legislature, and thank you to the Speaker for allowing this bill to have a chance here on the agenda. This is the annual adoption of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulation changes. It does carry with it a price tag. If we don't pass it, we lose Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program funds, which are primarily used for carrier enforcement roadside safety inspection programs. The regulations do provide, again, for consistency between the state and federal regulations so that a trucker can operate under these regulatory guidelines the same whether they're trucking through Nebraska or just in Nebraska and passing to another state from Nebraska. It provides for consistency so that they can operate confidently in interstate commerce. The same waivers that we've had in the past in current law relating to other industries such as agriculture are maintained in LB 1361. There's nothing earthshaking that we've been able to find. If there are questions, if I can answer them, I know we have people out here who are here who are willing to try to answer questions if there are any. Otherwise, I believe this is a very necessary but...but not a significant change in the law in any respect. I would ask for your adoption. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Bromm. Debate on the advancement of LB 1361? Senator Bromm, you're recognized to close. Senator Bromm waives closing. The question is the advancement of LB 1361. Those in favor vote aye; those opposed